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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed January 12, 2006, Applicants submit the following remarks.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicants thank the Examiner for her courtesy in discussing the Final Office Action and confirming that the Final Office Action appears to have been issued in error. Further to this discussion, the Office Action has finally rejected all presently pending claims based on nonstatutory double patenting relative to U.S. Patent No. 6,650,890. Applicants have previously (10/11/2005) submitted a terminal disclaimer relative to the '890 patent, and this terminal disclaimer has already been accepted by the USPTO. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted

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